

But the LORD sits enthroned forever, the LORD has established the throne for judgment. The LORD judges the world with righteousness; judges the peoples with equity. The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. And those who know your name put their trust in you, for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you. (Psalm 9:7-10)

"Every ordained minister shall speak publicly to the world in solidarity with the poor and oppressed, calling for justice and proclaiming God's love for the world." (ELCA Constitution C.9.03)

As a pastor within the Lutheran tradition, which holds that government has a God-given calling to promote the common good and which also maintains, that, while it isn't the church's calling to create a Christian state, it is to hold the state accountable to its calling through prophetic witness and appeals to neighborliness. The presidential executive orders of the past weeks have been deeply troubling and outrageous. As of the moment of penning this article, Family Acceptance Project poster executive orders have been issued that have frozen federal funding through grants and loans. Much of this funding goes for educational, nutritional, environmental, health, and housing programs that have benefits for our community and the individuals organizations that utilize it. This funding is one way our government fosters the common good, facilitating a way for our communities to take care of one another.

Oher executive orders follow through on the vilifying of immigrants, further militarizing the border, and authorizing raids deportation measures-measures which no longer honor hospitals, schools, and churches as sacred ground free from interference. Refugee programs, including from our own Global Refuge, have been given a stop action order, so that they cannot use the funding they have already received to support refugees that are already in process of being re-settled. Such actions reveal that none of this actually about curbing "illegal" immigration. Legal and routine pathways to residency and citizenship are also being limited or halted.

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Still more executive actions are creating an atmosphere of fear for our siblings in the LGBTQIA+ community. Our beloved transgender family members and friends have especially been targeted through narrow-minded, uninformed, and dangerous measures which seek to invalidate their existence. Similarly, the closure of Diversity-Equity- Inclusion programs across governmental entities strikes at the heart of values which, we as followers of Jesus, hold to be central to God's vision for human community.

These actions create a demeaning and dangerous environment for so many of our neighbors. They do not foster the common good, a community, nation, and world where all are able to thrive and flourish.

In this troubling time, as in troubling times before, the community of faith claims its calling anew to hold the powers accountable. While mindful of the perils of partisanship, we claim this calling anew not in opposition or in support of a party or factions, but in support of mercy, justice, peace, compassion, and all of these things for our neighbors. We claim this calling anew in opposition to all of that which would have us demonizing difference, threatening future generations, and limiting the scope of our concern to a single nation. We claim our prophetic calling to name such actions as destructive to our common life and to lay out the consequences if such lack of neighborly concern continues. We claim our pastoral calling to come to the aid of those who are affected in solidarity and support.

As followers of Jesus, I urge you, for the sake of our neighbors and world, to reclaim these callings. Reach out to local and national officials with your concern. Find a way to channel your outrage for good. Talk to local organizations about their needs, so they can keep doing the good work they do. Speak out and speak up for those who are unfairly maligned and targeted, because as Christians, we have the Good Friday perspective that understands that scapegoating always ends with a cross. Check in on your beloved ones who need to know that someone cares for them. Prepare to share the hope that is within you to those enchanted with nationalism. Find fuel for courage in Christian community, worship attendance, and service of neighbor. Find common cause with those of other faiths or no faith at all. Re-center yourselves in the Gospel promise, which locates each one of us and this world in the grace-filled, compassionate embrace of God which knows no national boundary or party affiliation.

This all admittedly feels overwhelming, insurmountable, and paralyzing. Yet we continue to reclaim these callings, to work for the common good in ways large and small, to trust in our stronghold in this time of trouble, to cling to the hope that the promised future is still on its way with a world renewed by love and shared by all people.

Hope and courage be yours!
Pastor Jeff



## **Worship Schedule**

# Sunday, February 2 Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

First Lesson: Jeremiah 1:4-10 Psalm 71:1-6 Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 Holy Gospel: Luke 4:21-30

## Sunday, February 9 Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

First Lesson: Isaiah 6-13
Psalm 138
Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Holy Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

# Sunday, February 16 Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

First Lesson: Jeremiah 17:5-10

Psalm 1 Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20 Holy Gospel: Luke 6:17-26

## Sunday, February 23 Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

First Lesson: Genesis 45:3-11, 15
Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40
Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50
Holy Gospel: Luke 6:27-38



# **Joyful Voices Rehearsals:**

Tuesday, February 4@ 6:15 p.m. and Tuesday, February 18@ 6:15 p.m.





## Worship Matters: Time after Epiphany (Part 2)

We are in the season known as Time after Epiphany (or Winter Ordinary Time). This season bridges Christ's birth and passion and its length, determined by the date of Easter, can be anywhere from four to nine weeks. This year the season encompasses eight Sundays. It began on January 12 (Baptism of Our Lord) and continues through Tuesday, March 4 (the day before Ash Wednesday).

In this second half of the Time after Epiphany, we will have mostly chronological readings from Luke that include Jesus' preaching and rejection in his home town (Nazareth) and Jesus' preaching, teaching and healing in Galilee. There will be an abundance of fish and the call to follow; and over two Sundays we will read from Jesus' Sermon on the Plain.

- •February 2 We will hear the second part of Jesus' sermon in the synagogue of his hometown. In a scene that forecasts his life, Jesus is first loved and accepted then threatened with death. In the Gospel of Luke, Jesus never returns to Nazareth, but that does not stop the proclamation of the good news or the mission defined that day.
- •February 9 We will stand with Isaiah in the temple, Paul in the middle of a city, ans the disciples on the shore of a sea, and consider God's call.
- •February 16 and February 23 We will read from Jesus' Sermon on the Plain. Jesus outlines 'blessings' and 'woes' and encourages us to love our enemies and to be merciful.

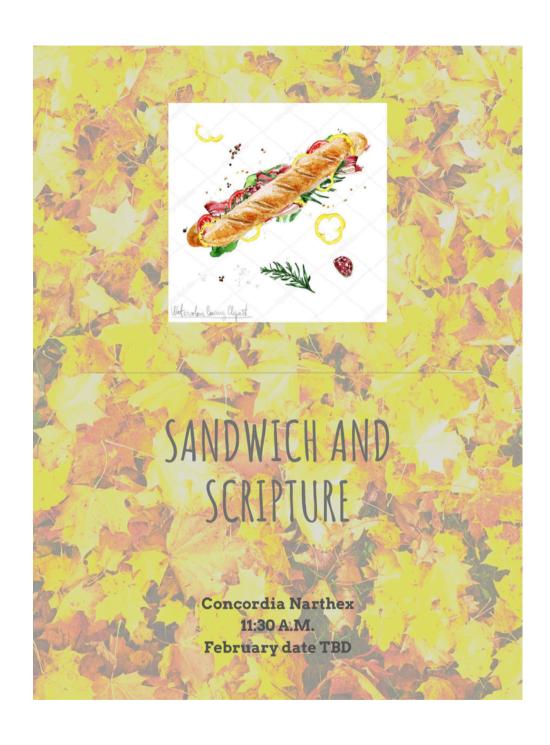
The season concludes on March 2 with the revelation on the mountaintop and words reminiscent of the ones spoken on the first Sunday (Baptism of Our Lord): "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him." It is what our texts have been pointing to throughout these weeks after Epiphany – an invitation to be transformed by the light and life of Christ.

Join us as we continue to explore the signs in this season that give us a glimpse of who Jesus is, and as we consider what this means for the mission of the church.

And a music note . . .

The Sanctus, part of the Great Thanksgiving that we sing each week in our communion liturgy, comes from two biblical texts. The first part, proclaiming God's glory and majesty is from our Old Testament reading on February 9, Isaiah's vision (6:3). The second part is from Matthew 21:9 (quoting Psalm 118:26). The Sanctus has been part of our liturgy for over a thousand years, and its name comes from the Latin word for holy.





#### DECEMBER, 2024 FINANCIAL REPORT

DECEMBER, 2024	ACTUAL	BUDGETED	YEAR TO DATE
INCOME	\$29,096.00	\$13,433.33	\$158,352.16
EXPENSES	\$12,600.34	\$14,611.42	\$157,778.04
NET	\$15,614.49	(\$1,178.08)	\$574.12

Bridges To Christ will be meeting on Monday, February 3rd at 6:45 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All women are welcome to join us!

Quilters will meet on Thursday, February 13th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your own lunch, but dessert is always available! We would like to thank Karin Cummings for her great leadership for the past eight years.

**Eventide Quilters will meet on Thursday, February 6th at 6:30 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. This is another opportunity to help with piecing, sewing, and tying quilts.

**Sprucing Up the Narthex:** If you have ideas for purchasing supplies (e.g. extension cords) or small updates for the narthex, please let Delores know (218-724-3210, <a href="mailto:deloresgrunwald@gmail.com">deloresgrunwald@gmail.com</a>) by January 12. I will be placing a request for memorial/gifts for these items. Thank you!

# Family Behaviors that Increase Your LGBTQ Child's Risk for Serious Health & Mental Health Problems

Research from the Family Acceptance Project\* shows that more than 50 family rejecting behaviors contribute to serious health risks for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ) youth. These include depression, suicidal behavior, illegal drug use, HIV and sexually transmitted infections (STIs). Family rejection increases risk for homelessness and placement in foster care and juvenile justice facilities.

Most parents and families that engage in these behaviors do so out of care and concern - to help their LGBTQ / gender diverse child fit in, have a good life and to protect them from harm. Help families understand that these and other rejecting behaviors are harmfull

# **BEHAVIORS THAT HURT...**

Prevent your child from having an LGBTO friend

Tell your LGBTQ child that you're ashamed of them

Tell your child that being LGBTQ is "just a phase"

Use religion to reject your child's sexual orientation, gender identity and expression

Tell your child to "tone down" how they look. dress or behave

Don't talk about your child's LGBTQ identity

Pressure your child to be more (or less) masculine or feminine

Take your child to a therapist or religious leader to try to change their LGBTQ identity

Make your child pray or attend religious services to change or prevent their LGBTQ identity

No or LOW

Rejecting Behaviors

Blame your child when others mistreat them because of their LGBTO identity / gender expression

Don't use the name or pronoun that matches your child's gender identity

Hit, slap or physically hurt your child because they are LGBTQ / gender diverse

> Call your child negative names because they are LGBTQ / gender

Try to change your child's LGBTO identity or gender expression

Don't let your child participate in LGBTO support groups or services

Don't let your child talk about their LGBTQ identity

Tell your child that God will punish them because of their sexual orientation or gender identity

**Exclude your LGBTQ** child from family events & activities

Let others speak badly about LGBTO / gender diverse people in front of your child

Don't let your child wear clothes or hairstyles that express their gender identity

Make your child leave home because they are LGBTO

The more of these behaviors that parents and families do. the higher your LGBTO child's risk

3 x Depression 2 x Suicidal thoughts

2 x Suicide attempts 1.5 x Illegal drug use

**MORE or Moderate Levels of Family** Rejecting Behaviors

6 x Depression

5.5 x Suicidal thoughts 8 x Suicide attempts

3 x Illegal drug use HIV/STD risk

HIGH Levels of Family Rejecting Behaviors



For more information about acceptance and rejection and your LGBTQ child's risk & well-being - Family Acceptance Project https://familyproject.sfsu.edu

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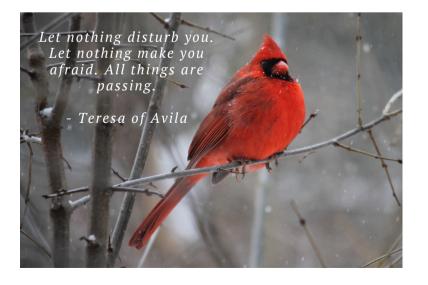
Let the Prayer Chain members join with you in your prayers and supplications. They are just a phone call away. All prayers are confidential and names or details are not needed. God is aware of all circumstances and waits to hear from you.

Please contact Reba Almquist at 525-6968.

For hospital or other visitations, please contact the office at 728-4229.

#### **Remember in Your Prayers**

Please remember the following people who have been hospitalized, under a doctor's care, those recuperating, struggling, or those grieving since our last newsletter: Ethel O'Leary, The family and friends of Alice Pierce, The family and friends of Neil Parikh, The families of the air disaster victims, The families, the survivors, and communities where mass shootings have occurred. Patti Pearson, Those marginalized for their sexual or gender identity, race, or ability, Tom Nelson, Max, Wayne Kari, the people of Ukraine, Palestine, Syria, Israel, and Russia, Roger Erickson, Tim Bell, migrant families, Phillip Hedges, and Carrie Birdseye-Erickson.



#### **Prayer and Visitation Ministry**

Please remember those in our congregation who are in nursing homes or are homebound. Please pray for them and consider stopping by for a visit. Prayer and visitation is an important ministry of the congregation.

Heritage Haven: Warren Roberts

A reminder that, on account of privacy, hospitals and nursing homes will NOT contact the Church to share that you have been admitted unless you or a family member tell them or the hospital chaplains to do so. Protecting privacy is also a way we care for our friends who may or may not wish for others to know of their illness or condition. If you hear that someone is sick or hospitalized, do not tell others unless you have been given permission by them to do so. If you wish to be visited by the Pastor or placed on the prayer list, contact the Church office. If you have a conversation with someone who is ill. hospitalized, or has come to be in a short or long term care facility, ask them if they want the congregation and Pastor to know what is happening before you pass the word along. Do not assume that because you know, that the individual wants everyone else to, as well. Honoring the privacy of our neighbors, as well as expressing our own desire for the church or pastor to know of our condition, helps to prevent troublesome situations and helps us support one another!

## **February Birthdays**

- 2 Lynn Mass
- 3 Richard Voltzke
- 12 Debbie Roach
- 14 George Sauter
- 15 Greg Grunwald
- 17 Matthew Bohn
- 21 Jean Voltzke
- 25 Gloria Isaacson
- 27 Lydia Davis

If your birthday isn't listed or has the wrong date, please let the office know.



# Flower and Sanctuary Candle Sign-up

A nice way to remember a loved one or celebrate a special occasion is to have altar flowers or the sanctuary candle on Sunday morning. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex for both. Cost for flowers is \$22 and the candle is \$8. Contact the office with any questions.

Please note that when you have altar flowes for worship, you may take them home following worship. The glass vases must stay at church, however.



### **Equal Exchange Coffee Donations**

Equal Exchange coffee donations needed for church coffee supply. Coffee funds are running low. Donation envelopes are available in the narthex information rack. Place an envelope with any donation amount in the offering plate with note "Equal Exchange coffee fund."



### Presiding Bishop Eaton Issues Statement on Immigration Executive Orders

January 28, 2025

"When an alien resides with you in your land, you shall not oppress the alien. The alien who resides with you shall be to you as the native-born among you; you shall love the alien as yourself, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God" (Leviticus 19:33-34).

## Dear church,

I write to you today with grave concern. Over the past few days, ELCA leaders and ministry partners have shared with me the immediate impacts of recent executive orders focused on immigration. I have heard about families frightened of being torn apart and from congregations fearful that their churches can no longer offer safety or support to their immigrant neighbors. I have heard from faith partners ordered to stop services to refugees and from businesses upended by workforce disruptions. Many of us in the ELCA come from immigrant peoples. As Lutherans, we have a long tradition of hospitality, dating back to the end of World War II, of helping displaced Lutheran refugees, assisting subsequent refugee groups and welcoming new immigrants. Our church has long called for compassionate, just and wise immigration reform. ("Toward Compassionate, Just and Wise Immigration Reform" social policy resolution).

Today, recent immigrants, refugees, asylum-seekers and displaced people are members of our congregations, communities and leadership. The presence of newcomers heightens our awareness of issues of relevance to the church so we can take part in faithful deliberation on public policies, like the ones that have come out in recent days. Our church's grave concerns grow out of these experiences with the people being affected.

From these experiences, people in our church have learned that the decision to leave one's home country is not made lightly. Many have arrived fleeing persecution because of how they worship, their political views, or their race and nationality. Political instability, environmental catastrophes and lack of opportunities have also compelled many to seek a more dignified life. Out of our own Lutheran experience of knowing many refugees, we have long stood against exclusionary attitudes and policies toward successive newcomers.

Among the policy changes to which our church's social teaching objects include:

- o Orders to suspend all refugee resettlement.
- New and sweeping enforcement priorities.
- o The summons of military personnel to the border.
- The decision to revoke special guidance regarding enforcement activity at or near sacred or protected places.

Keeping communities safe and supporting the well-being of all people is a goal shared by the ELCA. Yet it's worth naming that these executive actions are increasing fear and division within our society. Some people, including U.S. citizens, are alarmed about immigration enforcement at churches, schools and playgrounds. Some are afraid to seek care at hospitals or to access essential services.

The ELCA supports the view that nations have the responsibility to protect their borders and safeguard their communities. However, these policies must cause "neither undue repercussions within immigrant communities nor bias against them" ("Immigration" social message, page 7). Just policies include recognition of the humanity of immigrants without status, respect for the dignity of those at the border and refuge for displaced people.

The Scriptures are clear. We are called to see anew the image of God in our immigrant neighbors. Following God's call in Leviticus 19 that is echoed throughout Scripture, the time is now.

It is my sincere hope as bishop that various harmful actions will be reconsidered. It is my fervent prayer that we, as church together, will be bold in our witness and actions. ELCA churchwide ministries will continue to provide resources to protect the most vulnerable among us.

Let us together join in:

- A Call to Prayer alongside and for immigrants and sojourners, our communities and for our leaders, that they will act wisely and justly, protect all people and not cause harm.
- A Call to Learning, using resources such as the ELCA social message "Immigration"; the ELCA's strategy for Accompanying Migrants with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities (AMMPARO), including "Know Your Rights" information; and companion resources from Global Refuge (formerly Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service) and Church World Service on the policy changes. Join ELCA AMMPARO and Global Refuge for a webinar, "What Now-Resources for Faith Communities after Executive Orders," on Thursday, Jan. 30, 4-5 p.m. Eastern time. Registration is required. Register here.
- A Call to Personal Witness by speaking out against rhetoric that dehumanizes and demonizes anyone made in the image of God, and by promoting accurate information about neighbors and issues of public concern, in the spirit of the Conference of Bishops statement on the need to speak the truth.
- A Call to Public Witness, using the resources of ELCA AMMPARO, ELCA Witness in Society and State Public Policy Offices, and joining with our ecumenical partners as we offer faithful, direct witness to government.

As a sanctuary denomination, the ELCA proclaims walking with immigrants as a matter of faithfulness. The ELCA does not call for activity contrary to the law but for congregations, leaders and individuals to explore resources addressing how to interpret this memorial to their own contexts. Most of all, I encourage all to discern together how to live our faith, excluding none from God's overflowing love.

God calls us to welcome the stranger and love the sojourner as we love ourselves. I pray for God's grace to increase understanding of and mercy toward immigrants in these days.

In Christ,
The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton
Presiding Bishop
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"In Christ, there is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus." Galatians 3:28

Dear friends in Christ,

We have been through quite a week. A week that has stirred deep emotions from many and caused Christians in our country and across the world to pause – no matter what political persuasion or side of the aisle one ascribes to. It has been a week of overwhelming presidential executive orders that have left our communities and fellow humans in utter chaos, fear, distress, and with some labeled as "less than" in our shared humanity. As Christians who follow the way of Jesus, we must not stand idly by, but we must speak the truth we know to be Christ-centered and illuminated through Jesus' teachings and through holy scripture. We must muster courage and boldness to use our voices to point to these truths, refusing to be conformed by the rhetoric of the day.

Christians believe that every person - without exception - has inherent dignity and value because all people are made in God's own image. We also confess that God is best revealed in the Trinity, a diverse, complex, interwoven expression. So, too, then, our human identity and expression will be diverse and interwoven. Human dignity and value come from God. Governments, and even the law cannot dictate gender classifications or belonging. Even the Apostle Paul, almost two thousand years ago, knew that human-imposed definitions, such as ethnicity, social class, oppressor's titles, or gender were not valid. Because of the unifying work of Jesus Christ, all human labels no longer apply. People of faith throughout our synod, and indeed this world, are compelled to speak and act toward others in ways that honor the image in which we all are made. All people and groups deserve to be treated with dignity and respect in our common speech and in our public and private interactions.

Therefore, to vilify immigrants, validate insurrectionists, reject measures to protect our climate and global home while rejoicing in increased fossil fuels, seek retribution for political opponents, while ignoring the poor and oppressed, and demanding that there are limitations to gender diversity in God's wide-ranging creation is in direct opposition to who we are as baptized children of God and as members of the body of Christ.

As I lead this synod in the days and weeks ahead, I invite the people of the Northeastern Minnesota Synod to join me in remembering our call to regard all humans as precious creations of God's work. May our words and deeds reflect that in powerful ways and may we speak the truth we know to be God's unconditional love and saving grace revealed through Jesus Christ's life, death, and resurrection for all people.

Walking Together in Christ, Bishop Amy Odgren



It is good to be alive in 2025! We get another chance to be part of the good will in the world. We are grateful to the Creator who sustains us and all the created as each day succeeds each night. We look back to the past year with gratitude for what we were able to accomplish together:

- Your giving of time and resources enabled our team of dedicated staff members to serve over a thousand people experiencing homelessness, food insecurity, and isolation.
- The celebration of the third anniversary of the St Francis Apartments, and the tenth anniversary of the founding of the Steve O'Neil Apartments.
- Our new team of managers -- Sarah, Abigail, April, Drew, and LeVar passionate in providing for the wellbeing of all in their care.
- The blossoming of our newly created Mission Advancement Department working hard to sustain our life-giving safety net services in this northern region.
- The fiscal sponsorship and facilitative leadership provided to Stepping on Up which resulted in collaborative gains advancing cause people the of experiencing homelessness. The opening of the new Another Door shelter for youth escaping homelessness.

Against the backdrop of all those gains, we press forward in 2025 toward greater levels of service. This includes transitioning to an alternative site for the Chum Drop In Center and Shelter, while we work towards the construction of a new facility.

Exciting times are certainly ahead and together we'll seize the opportunities of being alive in 2025. I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming February Assembly and Expansion Extravaganza.

Happy 2025!

John Cole Executive Director

## A Wonderful Year at The St. Francis Apartments

This year at St. Francis Apartments, we celebrated our 3-year anniversary and a fresh coat of paint for our building! We've also seen more volunteers getting involved, with a BBQ hosted by our amazing volunteers this summer. We welcomed 8 new residents and completed our ADA unit, which is now fully accessible for wheelchair users.

Looking ahead, we're excited to expand our volunteer activities, aiming for at least one meal every month and more on-site events. We've updated our Amazon wish list and are planning an art supply drive. Our upcoming building projects include creating a space for medical professionals and updating our laundry facilities to better serve our residents.

We're excited to announce an upcoming art supply drive to support creative activities at St. Francis Apartments! Donations of all kinds and sizes are welcome, as long as they are reasonably sized. Supplies will be used for guided activities led by volunteers, offering our residents a chance to express themselves and engage in meaningful projects. Drop off supplies at the St. Francis Apartments main office (131 W 2nd St, Duluth, MN 55802) Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Thank you to everyone who supports St. Francis Apartments – together, we continue to build a stronger community.





The Expansion Extravaganza is coming soon, and we couldn't be more excited! This Mardi Gras-themed fundraiser will help us raise critical funds for Chum's operating budget and expansion. If we are able to raise enough, we will be able to continue caring for our brothers and sisters experiencing homelessness while preparing to expand our shelter.

Between construction costs, transition efforts, and all of the planning that needs to take place, we are going to need all hands on deck throughout the community!

#### **Event Details:**

- When: Thursday, February 27th, at 5:00 PM
- Where: Clyde Iron Works, 2920 W Michigan St, Duluth, MN 55806
- What to Expect: Live music, delicious food, a silent auction, and the vibrant energy of Mardi Gras. Come dressed in your best festive attire to enjoy an unforgettable evening!

This event is more than a fundraiser—it's a chance to show your commitment to creating a community where everyone has a safe place to call home. By attending, you'll not only enjoy a night of fun and celebration but also directly contribute to making our shelter expansion a reality.

We need your help to make the Expansion Extravaganza a success. Purchase your tickets today and invite your friends and family to join us. Together, we can make a real difference in the lives of those who need it most. Don't miss this opportunity to support an important cause and have a great time doing it. We can't wait to see you there!

Tickets are \$40 in advance or \$50 at the door and can be found at the following link:https://www.tfaforms.com/5157336

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Pianist: Anneliese Braaten

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